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Subject: Y-12 SWEIS - Telephone comment received - Robert Moseur of Virginia

On Friday, February 23, 2001, at approximately 1:30 pm, I received the following telephone comment regarding the draft Y-12 SWEIS from Robert Moseur (sp?):

"Good afternoon. My name is Robert Moseur, I'm a voter in Virginia, and it's come to my attention that you are one of the people considering...one of the people who needs to make a decision on whether to build a new enriched uranium facility or some similar facility that would basically create materials for nuclear bombs...missiles. I am highly against this. I think it is unnecessary, the Cold War is over, and while it may be of some use to have a few nuclear bombs for various purposes in the world I think a large facility of such is of no purpose whatsoever without a major proponent at this point. I think that it would be much more useful to use the tax dollars which I am paying for other purposes, for enriching our lives for other than creating unnecessary defenses against enemies that have disappeared basically in terms of this scale. I realize there are a few...there are still nations that have nuclear bombs...but certainly our capacity at this point is way enough to take care of any such threat and I think building new ones is a waste of our tax dollars and also is an environmental hazard. So, that's my position...I hope you take it into account in with your decision, today perhaps...I heard that today was the last day which is why I'm calling instead of Friday. Thank you very much."

Please enter this into the public hearing record for the Draft Y-12 SWEIS.

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Comment noted. Since the end of the Cold War, the United States has significantly reduced the size of its nuclear weapons stockpile, and DOE has dismantled more than 15,000 nuclear weapons. At the present time, the United States is further downsizing its deployed nuclear weapons stockpile consistent with the terms of START I and START II. Although Russia suspended its nuclear weapons dismantlement activities on January 20, 2001, DOE has continued its weapons dismantlement activities. While future arms control reductions may change requirements for maintaining the weapons stockpile, DOE is responsible for meeting the current requirements set forth by the President and Congress. The need for nuclear weapons and alternative uses of the Nation's funds are beyond the scope of the Y-12 SWEIS. The proposed action and alternatives analyzed in the Y-12 SWEIS address the continued operation of the assigned nuclear weapons stockpile management requirement of Y-12. There is no proposal to expand capabilities or to produce nuclear weapons at Y-12.